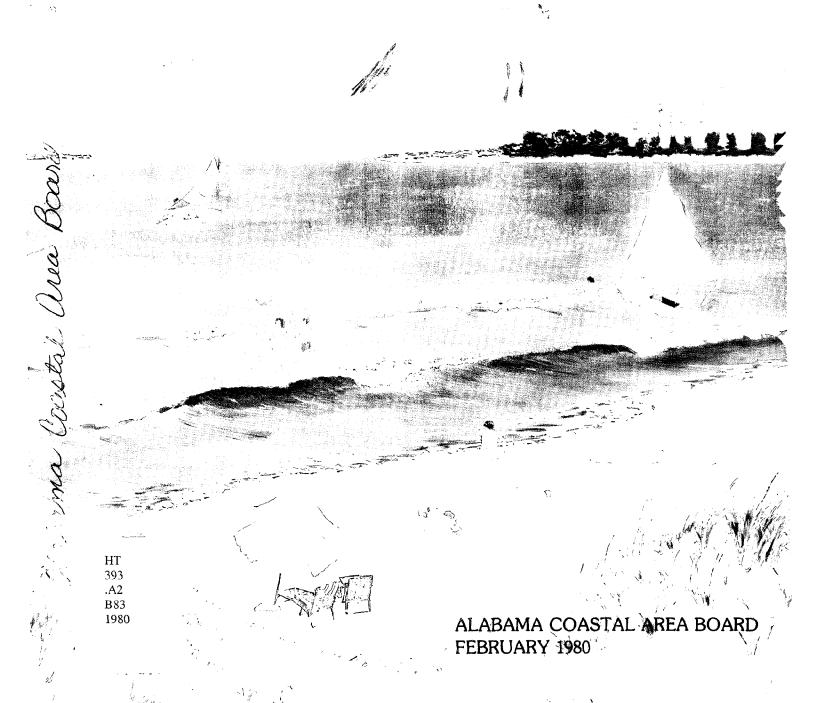
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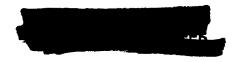
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#### I. INTRODUCTION

As a service to coastal residents, the Alabama Coastal Area Board has established a Permit Information Center at its office in Daphne. Coastal Area Board staff are available to assist coastal residents in filling out and processing permit applications. Permit applications for all local, state, and federal agencies who issue permits are on file at the Coastal Area Board Office along with each agency's rules and regulations and other pertinent information.

This booklet provides general information to the permitting process for some of the more common activities conducted within Alabama's two coastal counties with special emphasis on those permits which may be required within the Coastal Area. For example, if you wish to construct a house, the discussion on page 2 provides a brief description of the steps you should follow to obtain the necessary permits, who to contact, permit fees, and an estimate of how long it would take to obtain the permit. For further information contact the agencies listed in this booklet or the:

PERMIT INFORMATION CENTER ALABAMA COASTAL AREA BOARD P. O. Box 755 Daphne, AL 36526 (205) 626-1880

#### II. CONSTRUCTION OF A HOUSE

#### A. General

If you plan to construct a HOUSE, you must obtain a BUILDING PERMIT from the building inspector in the municipality where you plan to build. If you live outside the municipal limits of a city, you must obtain a BUILDING PERMIT from the building inspector in the county where you plan to build. The building inspector will review your plans for compliance with the adopted building codes and zoning ordinances. Table 1 presents a listing of municipalities and counties with adopted building codes or zoning ordinances.

Table 1. Municipalities and Counties with Adopted Building Codes or Zoning Ordinances

	Adopted Building Code	Adopted Zoning Ordinances
Bayou La Batre	o	0
Chickasaw	0	О
Creola	-	o
Daphne	0	0
Fairhope	0	o
Foley	· o	0
Gulf Shores	<b>o</b>	0
Mobile	0	О
Mount Vernon	0	_
Prichard	0	o
Saraland	0	0
Satsuma	0	o
Baldwin County	o	- o yes
Mobile County	o	no

Building permits may usually be obtained within 1 day. Permit fees vary within the different municipalities but are generally assessed according to the valuation of the construction. The permit fee must be paid when the permit application is filed. Table 2 on page 3 presents a listing of building inspectors for the counties and municipalities within the Coastal Area.

#### B. Construction in a Floodplain

If you plan to build within the floodplain, you are subject to flood insurance regulations. The building inspector or the adviser at the Permit Information Center can tell you if your lot is located within the floodplain. The building inspector for each county or city will review your plans for compliance with the flood insurance regulations prior to issuing a BUILDING PERMIT.

## Table 2. City Clerks and Building Inspectors in Municipalities and Counties

BAYOU LA BATRE	MOBILE
P. O. Box 517	P. O. Box 1827
Bayou La Batre, AL 36509	Mobile, AL 36601
City Clerk: Louella Bond;	City Clerk: Richard Smith;
(205)824-2171	(205)438-7421
Building Inspector: Floyd Foots;	Building Inspector: Norman Foster;
(205)824-4918	(205)438-7421
CHICKASAW	MOUNT VERNON
P. O. Box 11307	P. O. Box 139
Chickasaw, AL 36611	Mount Vernon, AL 36560
City Clerk: Iris Evans;	Town Clerk: Rose Marie Barnett;
(205)456-7606	(205)829-6755
Building Inspector: Lloyd Smith;	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(205) 456–7606	the town clerk)
CREOLA	PRICHARD
P. O. Box 497	P. O. Box 10427
Creola, AL 36525	Prichard, AL 36610
Town Clerk: Carolyn Harris;	City Clerk: Eva Greene;
(205)675-8142	(205)457-3381
Building Inspector: None (contact	Building Inspector: Fernell Lewis;
the town clerk)	(205)457-3381
DAPHNE	SARALAND
P. O. Box 400	716 Highway 43
Daphne, AL 36526	Saraland, AL 36571
City Clerk: Barbara Baggett;	City Clerk: Mary Potter;
(205)626-2628	(205)675-5103
Building Inspector: Frank Watson;	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
(205)626-2628	Pritchett;
(203)020-2020	(205)675-5103
FAIRHOPE	SATSUMA
P. O. Drawer 429	P. O. Box 517
Fairhope, AL 36532	Satsuma, AL 36572
City Clerk: Beverly Phillips;	City Clerk: Earline McKinley
(205)928-2136	(205)675-1440
(205) 928-2136	Building Inspector: James Juniga;
	(205) 675–1440
FOLEY P. O. Box 400	BALDWIN COUNTY
	Baldwin County Courthouse
Foley, AL 36535	Bay Minette, AL 36507
City Clerk: Fred Mott;	Building Inspector: Kendrick
(205)943-1545	Tindal;
Building Inspector: Barney Parkis;	(205)937-9561
(205)943-1545	MODEL TO COLDINA
GULF SHORES	MOBILE COUNTY
P. O. Box 299	P. O. Box 1443
Gulf Shores, AL 36542	Mobile, AL 36601
Town Clerk: Lois Walker;	Building Inspector: James Pierce;
(205)968-7571	(205)690–8599
Building Inspector: James Boone;	
(205) 968–6898	

#### C. Construction in Wetlands

If you plan to build so as to affect any WETLANDS OR MARSH SYSTEM, you will need to obtain a permit from the:

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P. O. Box 2288
Mobile, AL 36628
(205) 690-2660

Contact Person: Mr. F. F. Stevens, Regulatory Functions Branch

The application for this permit will be reviewed based on the impact of the construction on the wetlands. This process will take a minimum of 45 days, but the normal time period would be about 90-120 days. If the permit application is approved, an application fee of \$10 must be paid for a non-commercial activity.

#### D. Construction of a Septic Tank for Waste Disposal

If you plan to build a septic tank, you must obtain a permit from the:

BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 150
Bay Minette, AL 36507
(205) 937-9561
Contact Person: Mr. William Cabaniss
or
MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 2867
Mobile, AL 36601
(205) 690-8759
Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

You must submit an Individual Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Report and percolation test prepared by an engineer or surveyor to the County Health Department. This report will contain the necessary information for the County Health Department to determine whether to approve installation of a septic tank.

The County Health Department will inspect the system. If the required standards are met, the inspector will submit a report, and the County Health Department will issue a permit. There is no permit fee in Baldwin County, and the fee in Mobile County varies (\$13 average) depending on the size and construction of the system. This permit procedure normally takes about two weeks.

#### E. Construction of a Private Water Well Supply

If you plan to construct a water well, the drilling must be performed by a licensed well driller. At least three days before construction of the well, the driller must file a notification with the: BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

P. O. Box 150

Bay Minette, AL 36507

(205) 937-9561

Contact Person: Mr. William Cabaniss

or

MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

P. O. Box 2867

Mobile, AL 36601

(205) 690-8759

Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

The County Health Department is responsible for inspecting the well and sending notification to the ALABAMA WATER WELL STANDARDS BOARD. There is no permit fee.

Within 30 days of completion, the licensed well driller must file a Report of Drilled Wells with the:

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF ALABAMA

P. O. Box O

University, ALABAMA 35486

(205) 349-2852

Contact Person: Mr. Danny Moore

#### III. DEVELOPMENT OF A SUBDIVISION

#### A. Approval of a Subdivision Plat

To develop a SUBDIVISION, you must obtain approval from the PLANNING COMMISSION with jurisdiction in the area where you plan to build. Jurisdiction over subdivisions extends 5 miles beyond the municipal limits of each town, and you should consult the zoning ordinances and subdivision regulations for the area you plan to develop. Table 3 presents a listing of those municipalities and counties with adopted subdivision regulations.

Table 3. Municipalities and Counties With Adopted Subdivision Regulations

	Subdivision Regulations		
Bayou La Batre	0		
Chickasaw	o		
Creola	_		
Daphne	-		
Fairhope	o		
Foley Foley	o		
Gulf Shores	o		
Mobile	o		
Mount Vernon	-		
Prichard	o		
Saraland	О		
Satsuma	o	o	yes
Baldwin County	o	_	no
Mobile County	-		

Adopted

Normally, the Planning Commission may be contacted through the City Clerk. In Baldwin County and in the City of Mobile, contact the Planning Commission directly. Contact persons for obtaining approval to develop a subdivision are listed on Table 4 on page 7.

To obtain approval to develop a subdivision you must first file a preliminary plat along with an application for approval at least 20 days before a meeting of the Planning Commission. This plat will be considered by the Planning Commission, and a public hearing will be held to receive comments about the application. The costs and time for obtaining approval for development of a subdivision may vary depending on many factors such as location, size, number of houses, etc.

Approval of the preliminary plat will allow you to proceed with improvements to the subdivision. Within one year of preliminary approval, an application for approval of a final plat must be filed. After approval of the final plat, the subdivision plat should be filed with the Probate Judge.

In unincorporated areas of Mobile County that are 5 miles beyond any municipal limits, the County Engineer will inspect the subdivision after installation of paved streets and a drainage system. He will make recommenda-

tions to the Mobile County Commission. If the Commission approves, then the County Engineer must sign the subdivision plat before it can be recorded with the Probate Judge.

Table 4. Initial Contacts for Obtaining Approval to Develop a Subdivision in Municipalities and Counties

BAYOU LA BATRE

P. O. Box 517

Bayou La Batre, AL 36509

Building Inspector: Floyd Foots;

(205) 824-4918

CHICKASAW

P. O. Box 11307

Chickasaw, AL 36611

City Clerk: Iris Evans;

(205) 456-7606

CREOLA

P. O. Box 497

Creola, AL 36525

Town Clerk: Carolyn S. Harris;

(205) 675-8142

DAPHNE

P. O. Box 400

Daphne, AL 36526

City Clerk: Barbara Baggett;

(205) 626-2628

FAIRHOPE

P. O. Drawer 429

Fairhope, AL 36532

Secretary, Planning Commission:

Betty Rivenbark; (205) 928-2136

FOLEY

P. O. Box 400

Foley, AL 36535

City Clerk: Fred Mott;

(205) 943-1545

GULF SHORES

P. O. Box 299

Gulf Shores, AL 36542

Town Clerk: Lois Walker;

(205) 968-7571

MOBILE

P. O. Box 1827

Mobile, AL 36601

Planning Commission: Mitch Barnett;

(205) 438-7444

MOUNT VERNON

P. O. Box 139

Mount Vernon, AL 36560

Town Clerk: Rose Marie Barnett;

(205) 879-6755

PRICHARD

P. O. Box 10427

Prichard, AL 36610

Planning Commission Secretary:

Nettie Stewart; (205) 457-3381

SARALAND

716 Highway 43

Saraland, AL 36571

Secretary, Planning Board:

Barbara Timothy; (205) 675-5103

SATSUMA

P. O. Box 517

Satsuma, AL 36572

City Clerk: Earline McKinley;

(205) 675-1440

BALDWIN COUNTY

Baldwin County Courthouse

Bay Minette, AL 36507

Building Inspector: Kendrick

Tindal; (205) 937-9561

MOBILE COUNTY

P. O. Box 1443

Mobile, AL 36601

County Engineer: Joe W. Ruffer;

(205) 690-8599

B. Development Greater than 25 Acres

If you plan to develop a subdivision that is greater than 25 acres which is located within the Coastal Area, you must submit an erosion control plan,

describing the Best Management Practices which will be used for controlling runoff from construction and development, to:

ALABAMA COASTAL AREA BOARD
P. O. Box 755
Daphne, Alabama 36526
(205) 626-1880
Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

There is no fee, and the normal time for this review procedure is less than 30 days.

#### C. Construction in Wetlands

If you plan to develop so as to affect any WETLANDS or MARSH SYSTEM, you will need to obtain a permit from the:

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P. O. Box 2288
Mobile, Alabama 36628
(205) 690-2660
Contact Person: Mr. F. F. Stevens, Regulatory Functions Branch

tion fee of \$100 must be paid for a commercial activity.

This permit application will be reviewed based on the impact of the construction on the wetlands. This process will take a minimum of 45 days, but the normal time period would be about 90-120 days. If the permit is approved, an applica-

Any wetland construction involving dredging and removal of sand, gravel, oyster shell, fill or other bottom material from state owned water bottoms requires a lease/contract from the State Lands Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, for which a royalty-type charge is made. Contact:

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES 64 North Union Street Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 832-6330

Contact Person: Mr. Robert A. Macrory, Legal Counsel
Mr. Edward H. Reynolds, Director, State Lands Division

#### D. Subdivision Water Supply and Sewage Disposal

#### 1. Use of Existing Public Water Supply and Sewage Disposal System

If the subdivision will be located within the subdivision jurisdiction of a municipality where existing public water supply and sewage disposal systems are available, then obtain a letter from the municipal water and sewer department stating that the municipality will provide these services. The areas of subdivision jurisdiction usually extend 5 miles outside the municipal limits.

If the subdivision is located <u>outside</u> of the <u>subdivision</u> jurisdiction of a municipality, then approval to use an existing public system must be

obtained from the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, acting through the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

An engineer must complete a Preliminary Subdivision Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Report, and submit it along with a vicinity map, results of soil survey, area boundary plat, and other necessary information to:

BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 150
Bay Minette, Alabama 36507
(205) 937-9561
Contact Person: Mr. William Cabaniss
or
MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 2867
Mobile, Alabama 36601
(205) 690-8759
Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

This report will be reviewed and sent to the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, who will make recommendations back to the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. There is no permit fee in Baldwin County, and the fee in Mobile County varies depending on the system.

The final report should be submitted to the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, as noted above. They will review the report, inspect the site, and send recommendations to the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. If this department approves, the COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER is authorized to sign the final subdivision plat before it is recorded with the Probate Judge. No permit fee is charged for this permit.

#### 2. Construction of a New Private Water Supply and Sewage Disposal System

If you plan to construct a public water supply and sewage treatment facility, you must obtain approval from the Alabama Department of Public Health acting through the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Contact the:

BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 150
Bay Minette, Alabama 36507
(205) 937-9561
Contact Person: Mr. William Cabaniss
or
MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 2867
Mobile, Alabama 36601
(205) 690-8759
Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

If the water supply source is a well, a copy of the application must be sent to the:

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF ALABAMA
P. O. Box O
University, Alabama 35486
(205) 349-2852
Contact Person: Mr. Danny Moore

If the well will pump more than 50 gallons per minute, submit the (1) size, depth, and location; (2) construction diagram of the well; (3) daily pumping capability and anticipated withdrawal rate; and (4) other appropriate information to the:

> COASTAL AREA BOARD P. O. Box 755 Daphne, AL 36526 (205) 626–1880 Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

The Coastal Area Board and the Geological Survey of Alabama will review the data provided by the user and other available data to identify potential saltwater encroachment problems associated with the proposed well. There is no fee, and the process normally takes less than 30 days.

If the sewage treatment facility involves a discharge of wastewater to Alabama waters, you must obtain a permit for that discharge from the:

> ALABAMA WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION State Office Building Montgomery, Alabama 36130 (205) 277-3630 Contact Person: Mr. Bob Carter

After the DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH approves the system, the subdivision plat may be signed by the County Health Officer before recording with the Probate Judge.

#### Individual Water Wells and Septic Tanks

If you plan to rely on water wells and septic tanks for the individual lots in a subdivision, approval must be obtained from the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH acting through the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Contact the:

> BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT P. O. Box 150 Bay Minette, Alabama 36507 (205) 937-9561 Contact Person: Mr. Bill Cabaniss MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT P. O. Box 2867 Mobile, Alabama 36601 (205) 690-8759 Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

A Preliminary Subdivision Water Supply and Sewage Disposal Report must be prepared by an engineer and submitted to the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT who will send it to the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. Either agency may require percolation tests and soil bearings. There is no permit fee in Baldwin County, and the permit fee in Mobile County may vary according to the facility.

After you submit the final report, the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT will inspect the site and forward recommendations to the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. If the report is approved, the County Health Officer will be authorized to sign the final subdivision plat before it is recorded with the Probate Judge.

#### IV. CONSTRUCTION OF AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITY

#### A. General

If you plan to construct an industrial facility, you must obtain a BUILDING PERMIT from the building inspector in the municipality where you plan to build. If the industrial facility will be outside the municipal limits of a city, you must obtain a BUILDING PERMIT from the building inspector in the County where you plan to build. The building inspector will review your plan for compliance with the adopted building codes and zoning ordinances. Table 1 on page 2 presents a listing of municipalities and counties with adopted building codes or zoning ordinances.

Building permits may usually be obtained within 1 day. Permit fees vary within the different municipalities, but are generally assessed according to the valuation of the construction. The permit fee must be paid when the permit application is filed. Table 2 on page 3 presents a listing of building inspectors for the counties and municipalities within the Coastal Area.

#### B. Construction in a Floodplain

If you plan to build within the floodplain, you are subject to flood insurance regulations. The building inspector or the adviser at the Permit Information Center can tell you if your lot is located within the floodplain. The building inspector for each county or city will review your plans for compliance with the flood insurance regulations prior to issuing a BUILDING PERMIT.

#### C. Construction in Wetlands

If you plan to build so as to affect any WETLANDS or MARSH SYSTEM, you will need to obtain a permit from the:

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS P. O. Box 2288
Mobile, ALABAMA 36628
(205) 690-2660

Contact Person: Mr. F. F. Stevens, Regulatory Functions Branch

This permit application will be reviewed based on the impact of the construction on the wetlands. This process will take a minimum of 90-120 days. If the permit is approved, an application fee of \$100 must be paid for a commercial activity.

Any wetland construction involving dredging and removal of sand, gravel, oyster shell, fill or other bottom material from state owned water bottoms requires a lease/contract from the State Lands Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, for which a royalty-type charge is made. Contact:

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES 64 North Union Street Montgomery, ALABAMA 36130 (205) 832-6330

Contact Person: Mr. Robert A. Macrory, Legal Counsel

Mr. Edward H. Reynolds, Director, State Lands
Division

#### D. Development Greater than 25 Acres

If you plan to develop an industrial facility greater than 25 acres which is located within the Coastal Area, you must submit an erosion control plan, describing the Best Management Practices which will be used for controlling runoff from construction and development, to:

ALABAMA COASTAL AREA BOARD
P. O. Box 755
Daphne, ALABAMA 36526
(205) 626-1880
Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

There is no fee, and the normal time for this review procedure is less than 30 days.

#### E. Waste Discharge

#### 1. Wastewater Discharge from a Point Source into Coastal Waters

If you plan to discharge wastewater from a point source into state waters, you must obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit from the:

ALABAMA WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION State Office Building Montgomery, ALABAMA 36130 (205) 277-3630 Contact Person: Mr. John Poole

Submit the permit application to the AWIC a minimum of 180 days prior to when you plan to begin to discharge. AWIC will issue a public notice of the application to accept comments and may hold a public hearing. There are no permit fees for obtaining such a permit, and the length of time for the permit procedure may vary according to the significance of the discharge.

#### 2. Wastewater Discharge Into a Publicly Owned Treatment Facility

Before you may discharge industrial wastewater into a publicly owned treatment facility, you must obtain a State Indirect Discharge (SID) permit from the:

ALABAMA WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION State Office Building Montgomery, ALABAMA 36130 (205) 277-3630 Contact Person: Mr. John Poole

Pretreatment of the discharge before it enters the treatment works must meet AWIC's pretreatment regulations. There is no charge for this type of  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

#### 3. Discharge from an Air Contaminant Source

If you plan to construct and operate an air contaminant source in Baldwin County, you will need to obtain a permit from the:

ALABAMA AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION 645 S. McDonough Street
Montgomery, ALABAMA 36130
(205) 834-6570
Contact Person: Mr. Jim Cooper

In Mobile County, contact the:

MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL P. O. Box 2867 Mobile, ALABAMA 36601 (205) 690-8112 Contact Person: Mr. James E. Fibbe

Permits will be issued in three stages. The first is a permit to construct which must be obtained before construction begins. After construction is completed, a temporary permit will be issued. Further testing will determine if the facility meets applicable standards. If so, a permit to operate will be issued.

The time to obtain an air contaminant source permit is difficult to estimate due to the wide variation in standards and regulations. You may obtain a time estimate after describing the project. There are no fees for this type of permit.

#### F. Water Supply

If you plan to construct a water well, you must obtain approval from the Alabama Department of Public Health acting through the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Contact the:

BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 150
Bay Minette, ALABAMA 36507
(205) 937-9561
Contact Person: Mr. William Cabaniss
or
MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 2867
Mobile, Alabama 36601
(205) 690-8759
Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

If the water supply source is a well, a copy of the application must be sent to the:

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF ALABAMA
P. O. Box O
University, ALABAMA 35486
(205) 349-2852
Contact Person: Mr. Danny Moore

If the well will pump more than 50 gallons per minute, submit the (1) size, depth, and location; (2) construction diagram of the well; (3) daily pumping capability and anticipated withdrawal rate; and (4) other appropriate information to the:

COASTAL AREA BOARD
P. O. Box 755
Daphne, AL 36526
(205) 626-1880
Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

The Coastal Area Board and the Geological Survey of Alabama will review the data provided by the user and other available data to identify potential saltwater encroachment problems associated with the proposed well. There is no fee, and the process normally takes less than 30 days.

#### G. Materials Stockpiles

If your development will include materials stockpiles or a series of stockpiles of five acres and above, submit a Raw Materials Stockpile Plan to:

ALABAMA COASTAL AREA BOARD
P. O. Box 755
Daphne, AL 36526
(205) 626-1880
Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

This plan must demonstrate that runoff from the materials stockpiles will not degrade the Coastal Area. There is no fee, and the review process normally takes less than 30 days.

#### H. Pipelines\*

If you plan to construct a pipeline that carries flammable, toxic, or corrosive products which are other than petroleum products, you must obtain approval from:

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF PIPELINE SAFETY Materials Transportation Branch Suite 207-B
1568 Willingham Drive College Park, GA 30337 (404) 526-7861 Contact Person: Mr. Jim Thomas

Although there is no standard permit application, there is specific information which must be submitted. There is no fee, and the agency must be notified at least 90 days before the construction will begin.

\*Editor's Note: Although the information presented in the remainder of this section has not been verified by the agencies, this information is correct to the best of our knowledge.

#### V. CONSTRUCTION OF A DOCK OR MARINA

#### A. General

If you plan to construct a DOCK OR MARINA, you must obtain a BUILDING PERMIT from the building inspector in the municipality where you plan to build. If you live outside the municipal limits of a city, you must obtain a BUILDING PERMIT from the building inspector in the County where you plan to build. The building inspector will review your plan for compliance with the adopted building codes and zoning ordinances. Table 1 on page 2 presents a listing of municipalities and counties with adopted building codes or zoning ordinances.

Building permits may usually be obtained within 1 day. Permit fees vary within the different municipalities but are generally assessed according to the valuation of the construction. The permit fee must be paid when the permit application is filed. Table 2 on page 3 presents a listing of building inspectors for the Counties and municipalities within the Coastal Area.

#### B. Located in Wetlands, Dredge and Fill, or Extend into Navigable Waters

If the dock or marina will be located on or adjacent to wetlands, involve any dredge or fill activity, or extend into navigable waters, you must obtain a permit from the:

US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
P. O. Box 2288
Mobile, ALABAMA 36601
(205) 690-2660
Contact Person: Mr. F. F. Stevens, Regulatory Functions Branch

The CORPS will issue a public notice of the proposed project and receive public comments. The District Engineer will prepare an environmental assessment of the project. If the project will create significant impacts, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared. The EIS procedure can add 3 to 12 months to the permit procedure, requiring preparation of a draft EIS, public notice, public hearings, and responses from agencies and individuals. Public hearings on the permit application may be required. If the permit is approved, an application fee of \$100 must be paid for a commercial activity and \$10 for a noncommercial activity.

If the dock or marina will obstruct navigable waters, you must obtain a permit from the U.S. COAST GUARD. The Corps will notify the Coast Guard who will, in turn, notify you. The Alabama Water Improvement Commission will notify you if it needs additional information for water quality certification, and the Coast Guard will send you the necessary permit applications if it determines that the dock or marina should be marked with an aid to navigation.

Any wetland construction involving dredging and removal of sand, gravel, oyster shell, fill or other bottom material from state owned water bottoms requires a lease/contract from the State Lands Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for which a royalty-type charge is made. Contact:

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES 64 North Union Street Montgomery, Alabama 36130 (205) 832-6330

Contact Person: Mr. Robert A. Macrory, Legal Counsel Mr. Edward H. Reynolds, Director, State Lands

Division

#### VI. CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC FACILITIES

#### A. Public Drinking Water Supply

If you plan to construct a public water system, you will need a permit from the:

ALABAMA WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION DIVISION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES State Office Building Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 832-3170 Contact Person: Mr. Joseph Downey

A public water system is defined as a system of piped water for human consumption which has at least 15 service connections serving 25 people. There is no charge for this type of permit.

If the system will use a well as the source of water, then you obtain approval from the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH acting through the COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Contact the:

BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 150
Bay Minette, AL 36507
(205) 937-9561
Contact Person: Mr. William Cabaniss
or
MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 2867
Mobile, AL 36601
(205) 690-8759
Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

If the well will pump more than 50 gallons per minute, submit the (1) size, depth, and location; (2) construction diagram of the well; (3) daily pumping capability and anticipated withdrawal rates; and (4) other appropriate information to the:

COASTAL AREA BOARD
P. O. Box 755
Daphne, AL 36526
(205) 626-1880
Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

The Coastal Area Board and the Geological Survey of Alabama will review the data provided by the user and other available data to identify potential saltwater encroachment problems associated with the proposed well. There is no fee, and the process normally takes less than 30 days.

If the water source is surface water, the source must be one that is classified for such use by the ALABAMA WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION.

Permits will be issued in a three-step process. The first step is a permit to construct. After the water supply system has been constructed, request the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, as listed above, to perform a final inspection. If the inspection shows that the approved plans and specifications have been followed, a temporary permit that is valid for 30 days will be issued. There are no permit fees in Baldwin County, but the fees in Mobile County vary depending on the size of the system, number of connections, and other factors.

Within 30 days of the final inspection, submit a final application and a set of as-built plans to the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH as listed above. Also, if the water source is a well, send a copy of the application to the:

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF ALABAMA
P. O. Box O
University, AL 35486
(205) 349-2852
Contact Person: Mr. Danny Moore

Upon final approval of the system as operating, the ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH will issue a permit to use.

#### B. Drilling of a Water Well

If you plan to construct a water well, the drilling must be performed by a licensed well driller. At least three days before construction of the well, the driller must file a notification of intent to drill a well with the:

BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 150
Bay Minette, AL 36507
(205) 937-9561
Contact Person: Mr. William Cabaniss
or
MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 2867
Mobile, AL 36601
(205) 690-8759
Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

There are no permit fees for this activity in Baldwin County, and the fees in Mobile County may vary depending on the size of the system, inspections, location, or other factors.

Within 30 days of completion of the construction, the licensed well driller must file a certificate of completion with the:

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF ALABAMA
P. O. Box O
University, AL 35486
(205) 349-2852
Contact Person: Mr. Danny Moore

If the well will pump more than 50 gallons per minute, submit the (1) size, depth, and location; (2) construction diagram of the well; (3) daily pumping capability and anticipated withdrawal rates; and (4) other appropriate information to the:

COASTAL AREA BOARD P. O. Box 755 Daphne, AL 36526 (205) 626-1880 Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

The Coastal Area Board and the Geological Survey of Alabama will review the data provided by the user and other available data to identify potential saltwater encroachment problems associated with the proposed well. There is no fee, and the process normally takes less than 30 days.

#### C. Discharge of Wastewater from Municipal Treatment Plants

If you plan to discharge pollutants from a point source into state waters, you must obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit from the:

> ALABAMA WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION State Office Building Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 277-3630 Contact Person: Mr. Bob Carter

Submit the permit application to the ALABAMA WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION a minimum of 180 days prior to when you plan to begin the discharge. AWIC will issue a public notice of the application to accept comments and may hold a public hearing. There are no permit fees for obtaining such a permit, and the length of time for the permit procedure may vary according to the significance of the discharge.

#### D. Construction of a Bridge or Causeway

If you plan to construct a bridge or causeway, you will need to obtain a permit from the:

> U. S. COAST GUARD Bridge Administration Office 8th Coast Guard District Hale Boggs Federal Building New Orleans, LA 70120 (504) 589-2965

Contact Person: Mr. Joseph Irico, Chief

There is no application for this type of permit, so you should submit a letter to the Coast Guard requesting approval of plans for construction and issuance of a permit to construct.

The Coast Guard will issue a public notice. Following review and public comment, the Coast Guard will render a final decision. If approved, construction must normally be commenced within 3 years and completed within 5 years.

If the construction of the bridge or causeway will affect any wetlands or involve dredging and filling, you will also need to obtain a permit from the:

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS P. O. Box 2288 Mobile, AL 36628 (205) 690-2660

Contact Person: Mr. F. F. Stevens, Regulatory Functions Branch

This permit application will be reviewed based on the impact of the construction on the wetlands. This process would normally take a minimum of 120 days. If the permit is approved, an application fee of \$100 must be paid for a commercial activity.

#### E. Operation of a Solid Waste Disposal Site

If you plan to construct a solid waste disposal site, you must first obtain approval from the local government having jurisdiction over the area. In a municipality, contact the CITY CLERK. Refer to the list of City Clerks in Table 2 on page 3. Outside of the municipal limits, contact the:

BALDWIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 150
Bay Minette, AL 36507
(205) 937-9561
Contact Person: Mr. William Cabaniss
or
MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 2867
Mobile, AL 36601
(205) 690-8759
Contact Person: Mr. L. K. Cochran

Then submit a written request for approval of the site to the:

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE AND VECTOR CONTROL State Office Building Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 832-6728 Contact Person: Mr. Alfred S. Chipley

The HEALTH DEPARTMENT will appraise the site in cooperation with the GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF ALABAMA. Approval of the site and operation of the facility will be made in writing by the HEALTH DEPARTMENT. There is no permit fee for this type of permit.

#### VII. CONSTRUCTION OF AN ENERGY-RELATED FACILITY

#### A. General

If you plan to construct an energy-related facility, you must obtain a BUILDING PERMIT from the building inspector in the municipality where you plan to build. If the energy-related facility will be outside the municipal limits of a city, you must obtain a BUILDING PERMIT from the building inspector in the county where you plan to build. The building inspector will review your plan for compliance with the adopted building codes and zoning ordinances. Table 1 on page 2 presents a listing of municipalities and counties with adopted building codes or zoning ordinances.

Building permits may usually be obtained within 1 day. Permit fees vary within the different municipalities, but are generally assessed according to the valuation of the construction. The permit fee must be paid when the permit application is filed. Table 2 on page 3 presents a listing of building inspectors for the counties and municipalities within the Coastal Area.

#### B. Construction in a Floodplain

If you plan to build within the FLOODPLAIN, you are subject to flood insurance regulations. The building inspector or the adviser at the Permit Information Center can tell you if your lot is located within the floodplain. The building inspector for each county or city will review your plans for compliance with the flood insurance/regulations prior to issuing a BUILDING PERMIT.

#### C. Construction in Wetlands

If you plan to build so as to affect any WETLANDS or MARSH SYSTEM, you will need to obtain a permit from the

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P. O. Box 2288
Mobile, AL 36628
(205) 690-2660

Contact Person: Mr. F. F. Stevens, Regulatory Functions Branch

This permit application will be reviewed based on the impact of the construction on the wetlands. This process will take a minimum of 90-120 days. If the permit is approved, an application fee of \$100 must be paid for a commercial activity.

Any wetland construction involving dredging and removal of sand, gravel, oyster shell, fill or other bottom material from state owned water bottoms requires a lease/contract from the State Lands Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, for which a royalty-type charge is made. Contact:

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES 64 North Union Street Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 832-6330 Contact Person: Mr. Robert A. Macrory, Legal Counsel

Mr. Edward H. Reynolds, Director, State Lands
Division

#### D. Development Greater than 25 Acres

If you plan to develop an energy-related facility greater than 25 acres which is located within the Coastal Area, you must submit an erosion control plan, describing the Best Management Practices which will be used for controlling runoff from construction and development, to:

ALABAMA COASTAL AREA BOARD
P. O. Box 755
Daphne, AL 36526
(205) 626-1880
Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

There is no fee, and the normal time for this review procedure is less than 30 days.

#### E. Wastewater Discharge from a Point Source into Coastal Waters

If you plan to discharge wastewater from a point source into state waters, you must obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit from the:

ALABAMA WATER IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION State Office Building Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 277-3630 Contact Person: Mr. John Poole

Submit the application to the AWIC a minimum of 180 days prior to when you plan to begin to discharge. AWIC will issue a public notice of the application to accept comments and may hold a public hearing. There are no permit fees for obtaining such a permit, and the length of time for the permit procedure may vary according to the significance of the discharge.

### F. Discharge from an Air Contaminant Source

If you plan to construct and operate an air contaminant source in Baldwin County, you will need to obtain a permit from the:

ALABAMA AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION 645 S. McDonough Street
Montgomery, AL 36130
(205) 834-6570
Contact Person: Mr. Jim Cooper

In Mobile County, contact the:

MOBILE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF AIR POLLUTION CONTROL P. O. Box 2867 Mobile, AL 36601 (205) 690-8112 Contact Person: Mr. James E. Fibbe

Permits will be issued in three stages. The first is a permit to construct which must be obtained before construction begins. After construction is completed, a temporary permit will be issued. Further testing will determine if

the facility meets applicable standards. If so, a permit to operate will be issued.

The time to obtain an air contaminant source permit is difficult to estimate due to the wide variation in standards and regulations. You may obtain a time estimate after describing the project. There are no fees for this type of permit.

#### G. Oil or Gas Lease

The ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES leases state-owned lands and submerged lands beneath navigable waters, as well as land under the Gulf of Mexico for a seaward distance of six leagues for the purpose of exploration, development and production of oil and gas. In addition, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources issues seismic permits for all state-owned waterbottoms, often a preliminary to oil and gas lease sales. Leases are awarded on the basis of competetive bids.

Information about leasing can be obtained from:

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES 64 North Union Street Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 832-6330 /

Contact Person: Mr. Robert A. MacCrory, Legal Counsel
Mr. Edward H. Reynolds, Director, State Lands
Division

The DEPARTMENT will make certain areas available for lease by publicizing an Invitation for Bids. Sealed bids will be accepted and opened publicly. The successful bidder will execute an Oil and Gas Lease Form with the DEPARTMENT.

#### H. Drilling of an Oil Well

If you wish to drill, deepen, or convert a well, you must obtain approval from the Alabama State Oil and Gas Board. Contact the:

STATE OIL AND GAS BOARD
P. O. Drawer O
University, AL 35486
(205) 349-2952
Contact Persons: Ken Hanby or Becky Poe

Submit the following to the State Oil and Gas Board:

- (1) Permit to Drill, Deepen, or Convert (Form OGB-1);
- (2) Affadavit of Ownership or Control (Form OGB-2);
- (3) Surety Bond for (a) an individual well (Form OGB-3) or (b) a blanket bond for all wells (Form OGB-4);
- (4) Organization Report (Form OGB-5).
- (5) Certified Plat.

The time to obtain approval to drill a well varies depending on many factors such as location, size, and impacts. The permit fee is \$250.

#### I. Liquefied Petroleum (LP) Gas

If you plan to conduct activities relative to LP Gas, you will need to obtain a permit from the:

ALABAMA LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS BOARD P. O. Box 1742
Montgomery, AL 36103
(205) 832-5861
Contact Person: Leonard Pakruda

The Board issues permits for LP dealers, piping and appliance installation, Bulk Storage Installation, and Meter Calibrator and/or Repairman. Complete the application for these activities, and submit it to the Board at least 30 days prior to a regularly scheduled Board meeting, which is the first Thursday of October, January, April, and July.

Action on your permit application will normally be taken at the Board meeting. If the Board approves your application, the Class A and B permit applicants must within 180 days and the Class C, D, and E permit applicants must within 60 days be employed fully in the LP-gas business, secure the proper insurance coverage, bond, facilities, equipment and have all your personnel complete the Board's qualification test. Your facilities will be inspected and a permit will then be issued.

#### J. Transfer of Oil from a Vessel

If you intend to operate a facility to transfer oil to or from a vessel, with capacity of 250 barrels or more, you should obtain approval from the U. S. COAST GUARD.

Submit a letter of intent to operate the facility at least 60 days before operation of the facility is begun to:

CAPTAIN OF THE PORT
U. S. COAST GUARD
2000 Federal Office Building
Mobile, AL 36602
(205) 690-2205
Contact Person: Lt. Cmdr. Whiting, Chief, Port Operations Dept.

During the 60 day period, after receipt of the letter of intent, the Port Safety Office of the Captain of the Port will inspect the facility. Unless there are objections, you may proceed to operate the facility after the inspection at the conclusion of the 60-day period.

#### K. <u>Materials Stockpiles</u>

If your development will include materials stockpiles or a series of stockpiles of five acres and above, submit a Raw Materials Stockpile Plan to:

ALABAMA COASTAL AREA BOARD
P. O. Box 755
Daphne, AL 36526
(205) 626-1880
Contact Person: Mr. Tim Savage

This plan must demonstrate that runoff from the materials stockpiles will not degrade the Coastal Area. There is no fee, and the review process normally takes less than 30 days.

#### L. Pipelines\*

If you plan to construct a pipeline for the trnasfer of oil or gas, you must obtain approval from the:

ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION 789 State Office Building Montgomery, AL 36130 (205) 832-3420 Contact Person: Mr. Larry Waldrop

If the pipeline will cross navigable streams or state waterbottoms, you must obtain a lease from the:

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES 64 North Union Street
Montgomery, AL 36130
(205) 832-6330
Contact Person: Mr. Robert A. Macrory, Legal Counsel

Mr. Edward H. Reynolds, Director, State Lands
Division

If construction of the pipeline will involve dredge or fill activities, you will need to obtain a permit from the:

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ENGINEER
U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
P. O. Box 2288
Mobile, AL 36628
(205) 690-2660

Contact Person: Mr. F. F. Stevens, Regulatory Functions Branch

This permit application will be reviewed based on the impact of the construction on the environment. This process will take a minimum of 120 days. If the permit is approved an application fee of \$100 must be paid for a commercial activity.

If you plan to construct gathering pipelines for transport of petroleum products, you must obtain a permit from:

U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY P. O. Box 7944 Metairie, LA 70010 (504) 837-4720

Contact Person: Mr. Don Solanas, Oil and Gas Supervisor for Operation Support

While there is no standard application form, there is specific information which must be submitted to the agency for review. There is no permit fee for this type of permit.

If you plan to construct a common carrier pipeline, you must obtain approval and post a security bond with:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

NEW ORLEANS OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF OFFICE

Suite 841, 500 Camp Street

New Orleans, LA 70130

Contact Person: Mr. Autry Britton (504) 589-3522

Ms. LaNelle Bohem (504) 589-3528

Ms. Mary Holmes (504) 589-3520

Although there is no standard application form there is specific information which must be submitted for review.

If you plan to construct or operate a pipeline which transports natural gas across a state line, you must obtain approval from:

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
DIVISION OF PIPELINE CERTIFICATION
825 N. Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426
(202) 357-9024 or 357-9028
Contact Person: Mr. Robert Szekely
Mr. Wes Strotman

Although there is no standard application, there is specific information which must be furnished to the agency. An initial fee of \$50 must be submitted at the time of application. If an investment is involved, a filing fee is also charged which is based on the amount of the investment. Generally, this permit is processed in 75-90 days.

#### M. Hydroelectric Facilities

If you plan to construct or operate a hydroelectric facility, you must obtain a permit from the:

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION 730 Peachtree Building Atlanta, GA 30308 (404) 881-4135

Contact Person: Mr. Arnie Kauranen, Regional Engineer

There is no standard application form, but there is specific information which must be furnished. Two types of permits are normally issued. The preliminary permit gives you the right to conduct the necessary studies to determine if you want to develop a hydroelectric plant in a particular area. A license may then be issued to construct and operate the facility. There is a license fee which is based on the installed and generating capacity of the facility.

\*Editor's Note: Although the information presented in the remainder of this section has not been verified by the agencies, this information is correct to the best of our knowledge.

Although this booklet describes the permits one must obtain before conducting a particular activity, it should be noted that the permitting agency may be required to receive comments or approval from several agencies before it may issue a permit. As an example, the Corps of Engineers normally obtains comments or approval from the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Alabama Coastal Area Board, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Alabama Water Improvement Commission, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, and other agencies before issuing a permit to an individual for a particular activity.

This booklet has been developed as a service to coastal citizens. The information presented in this booklet is the most up-to-date information we could identify. This information has been submitted to each agency for verification, and all reasonable steps have been taken to insure the accuracy of this information. It should be recognized, however, that federal, state, and local regulations are subject to change. The Alabama Coastal Area Board is not responsible for any inaccuracies in the publication or for any changes in agency operating procedures or regulations. This booklet should be used as a guide to the permitting procedure.

